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## *Nowhere in Israel Have I Found as Much Faith*

The Lord Jesus agreed to go to the centurion's house to cure his servant, but he replied: I am not worthy to have you under my roof; only say the word and my servant will be healed. In protesting his unworthiness the centurion showed himself worthy to have Christ enter not his house but his heart. Yet he could not have said this with such faith and humility unless he already bore within his heart the One he was too overawed to have within his house. In any case, there would have been no great happiness at the entry of the Lord Jesus within his walls if he were not present in his heart.

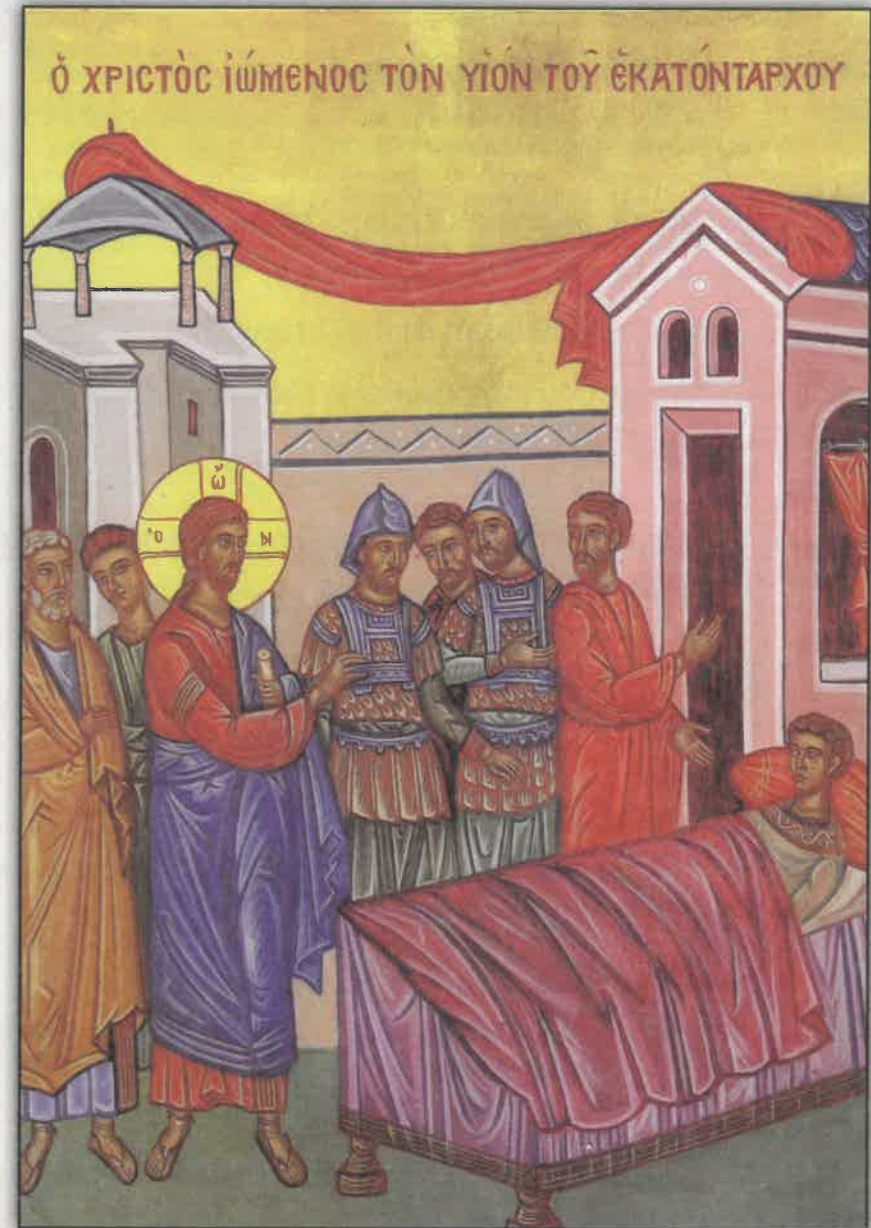
But what emboldened the centurion to act as he did? I am under authority myself, he said, and have soldiers under me; and I say to one man, Go,

and he goes; to another, Come here, and he comes; to my servant, Do this, and he does it.

Now the man who said this was a Gentile as well as a centurion. He was a professional soldier and, as a centurion, acted according to his rank: subject to authority and exercise in authority, obeying as a subordinate and giving orders to those subordinate to him. As for the Lord, though living among the Jewish people, He was already beginning to make it known that His Church would extend throughout the whole world into which He was about to send His apostles. Although the Gentiles would not see him they would believe in him, whereas the Jewish leaders who saw him would put him to death.

St. Augustine of Hippo

## FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



*Icon of Christ Healing the Centurion's Servant*

Glory to Jesus Christ!  
 Glory Forever!  
 Slava Isusu Christu!  
 Slava Na Viki!



**SAT., JUNE 20**  
 4:00 p.m.  
  
**SUN., JUNE 21**  
 9:00 a.m.  
  
 3:00 p.m.

**(Vigil Sunday Divine Liturgy)**  
 +Shirley A. Mentrek requested by: Mentrek & Knight Families  
*(remembrance of 92nd birthday 6.22)* Children & Grandchildren

**The Fourth Sunday After Pentecost**

All Living & +Deceased Fathers  
 God's Blessings Upon Parish Graduates  
 Minor Orders Ordinations at Cathedral, Munhall



**WED., June 24 The Feast of the Holy Nativity of St. John the Baptist**



**10:00 a.m.** +Fr. Joseph Kapusnak requested by: Joan Walker  
*(12th anniversary of passing 7.7)*

**SAT., JUNE 27**  
 4:00 p.m.  
  
**SUN., JUNE 28**  
 9:00 a.m.

**(Vigil Sunday Divine Liturgy)**  
 +Mary Ann Helms requested by: sister: Barbara & Thomas Ochs  
*(remembrance of 74th birthday 6.28)*

**The Fifth Sunday After Pentecost**

+Melvin Walker requested by: wife: Joan  
*(remembrance of 67th wedding anniversary 6.27)*



**The Sanctuary Candle for June 21 - 27, 2026**  
*signifying the Real Presence of our Lord is*  
**In Loving Memory of**  
 +MELVIN WALKER  
**Health & God's Blessings for**  
**JOAN WALKER**  
*(remembrance of 67th wedding anniversary June 27)*

**The Theotokos Candle for June 21 - 27, 2026**  
*signifying her Intercession is*  
**In Loving Memory of**  
 +SHIRLEY A. MENTREK  
*(remembrance of 92nd birthday June 22)*  
 By: The Mentrek & Knight  
 Children & Grandchildren

Pray For Our Homebound, Sick, Hospitalized, & In Recovery updated: June 19, 2026

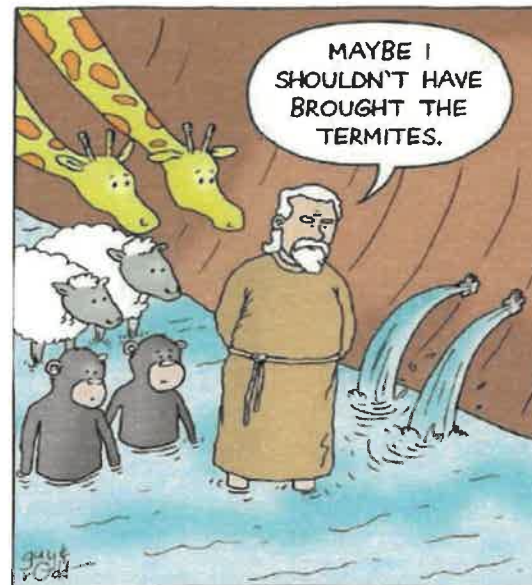
**RESIDING AT HOME** – Charlotte Bruce Jo Ann Kessler, Greta Marks, Judy McBride, Mary Ann Polochak, Martha Stambaugh, Carolyn & Bill Vasko, Ethel Wahal, Bob Ward.  
**Cleveland VA Medical Center (10701 E. Blvd., Cleveland, OH 44106)** – David Chesmar Jr.  
**The Lakes At Jefferson (7271 West Market St., Mercer, PA 16137)** – Michael Kennis.  
**Avalon Springs Place (745 Greenville Rd., Mercer, PA 16137)** – Dolores Vasil.  
**Ridgecrest At Cranberry Woods (3020 Fairport Ln., Cranberry Twp., PA 16066)** – J. Richard Will.  
**St. Paul Homes (339 East Jamestown Rd., Greenville, PA 16125)** – Lillian Sulick.  
**The Ridgewood at Shenango Valley (1 Elston Way, Hermitage, PA 16148)** – Katherine Asafaylo.  
**Liberty Arms Assisted Living (1353 Churchill-Hubbard Rd., Youngstown, OH 44505)** – Anne Pajak.

Offerings from June 13 & 14, 2026

**Sunday Offering....** \$1,695.00  
**Loose Currency....** \$26.00  
**Candles....** \$129.00  
**TOTAL: \$1,850.00**

Restoration  
 Pledged \$179,890  
 Deposited \$175,470  
 Pledges 69

Weekly Requirement to Meet Yearly Expenses			
Date	Collection	Required	(Shortage) Overage
June 14	\$1,850	\$ 4,100	(\$2,250)
YTD	\$89,263	\$98,400	(\$9,137)



Church Attendance

Saturday 6/13 – **50** (4:00 pm)  
 Sunday 6/14 – **62** (9:00 am)

Quote of the Week

“A truly rich man is one whose children run into his arms when his hands are empty.”

— Unknown

# Father's Day Word Search

Can you find the Father's Day-related words in the puzzle below?

B	G	I	V	I	N	G	E	D	G	L	O	V	E	H	J
K	E	S	C	M	R	T	F	H	W	Q	I	B	J	P	E
T	Z	K	X	G	M	G	L	O	V	I	N	G	Y	O	C
K	D	I	L	A	C	E	U	N	Q	L	N	A	P	S	H
T	H	S	D	S	X	F	M	B	V	H	J	K	R	L	I
O	V	S	A	R	F	I	A	O	L	F	E	H	K	Q	L
G	I	E	N	B	A	M	C	S	R	T	E	A	Y	M	D
E	P	S	Y	W	M	X	D	A	F	I	O	U	R	V	R
T	Z	C	T	G	I	U	J	C	K	O	E	P	N	T	E
H	B	G	A	H	L	R	M	Q	W	E	Y	S	I	D	N
E	A	I	D	E	Y	C	D	A	D	B	P	C	I	O	E
R	E	F	F	C	G	N	A	Z	P	A	R	E	N	T	V
F	Q	T	B	P	H	U	G	S	L	H	K	E	J	S	W
R	F	A	T	H	E	R	M	U	C	A	R	I	N	G	T

Family  
Hugs  
Love  
Heart

Kisses  
Dad  
Father  
Parent

Gift  
Loving  
Children  
Caring

Giving  
Cake  
Together  
Memories

## Where is our faith?

This Sunday, we receive yet another powerful lesson about humility and faith. In this Sunday's Gospel, we are introduced to an interesting character: the Roman centurion. This centurion approaches Christ and tells our Lord that his servant is paralyzed and in great distress. Our Lord, in return offers to go to the centurion's home to cure the servants, to which the centurion replies: "Lord, I am not worthy to have You come under my roof; but only speak the word, and my servant will be healed."



This Gospel lesson should make us reflect on our own relationship with and understanding of God. How do we treat our Lord in our lives? Do we approach him with the same humility of this pagan centurion? Do we openly admit our own unworthiness? Do we have faith that even just a word from our Lord can produce healing and salvation beyond our greatest thoughts? Do we think beyond ourselves—our own egos—in order to help or assist those around us? Or do we make demands of God? Are we proud and driven by vanity? Do we act superior to others? Do we consider ourselves "more worthy" of God's love and understanding, even within our own Christian community? Do we treat others—whether in our own families or even in church—with a sense of superiority or self-righteousness, even if it means hurting someone else or forcing them to be cast aside, all so that we feel important or to show how we have power or sway?

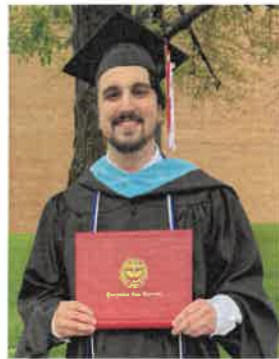
If we fall into this latter category, our Lord tells us quite simply that such attitudes and behaviors will result in such people being "thrown into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." The lack of faith, the need to lord and wield power, the desire to promote one's own self-righteousness and perceived holiness will result in an eternity of torture, in hell, devoid of the presence of God.

The irony of the Gospel is that the centurion is a man with real worldly power, and as a pagan, is smart enough to recognize the triviality of worldly power in the presence of our Lord. Why do we go to church? Let us really examine our consciences and think of the answer to this question, for we are to be just as faithful as this pagan centurion who, after encountering our Lord, knew of His great healing powers. Since our Baptism, we have had the opportunity to encounter our Lord and grow in our faith and understanding of Him, but have we taken this opportunity? Or are we content with our own pride-driven, selfish ways that will lead us to an eternity without God?

As we reflect on today's Gospel—which is yet another example of the transformative power of faith—let us truly think of our own role in our salvation. We have choices to make, and beyond those choices, we have lessons that will assist us in making the right choices. Remember, our accounting before Christ at the end of our earthly lives is a singular experience: we are judged only according to what we ourselves have done—or did not do—and there will be no one else there to take the blame for our wrongdoings. Let us work toward having a faith that is just as impressive as this centurion's, and let us strive for a humility to know, love, and serve God through our examples and words so that others, too, can share in God's glory and love!

## Congratulations 2026 parishioner Graduates!

**AUGUSTINE GREGORY SIERACKI** graduated from St. Joseph Home School, Rome, OH on June 7, 2026 earning his High School Diploma. His future plans are to join the steel workers union as an HVAC & Welding Apprentice in the fall.



**NIKOLAS CONSTANTINO DOWELL** will graduate from Youngstown State University, Youngstown, OH on August 15, 2026 earning his Masters Degree in Counseling. His honors and achievements include Member of Chi Sigma Iota and the counseling honors society. His future plans are to get licensed as a full time clinical and mental health counselor in the state of Ohio and begin practicing as a Licensed Practicing Counselor.

**BRIANNA MARIE DZURICSKO** graduated from the University of Cincinnati College of Design, Architecture, Art, and Planning on May 1, 2026 earning her Master's Degree in Design. Her honors and achievements include that her thesis project was awarded the Director's Choice Award in Research through Design at the 2026 DAAPworks Capstone & Thesis Exhibition. Her future plans are actively looking to expand her network in Cincinnati, particularly with professionals working in user research, market research, and data storytelling.



## *Sympathy extended & eternal memory*

+**RONALD J. KALAS**, 84, of North Bloomfield, fell asleep in the Lord on Wednesday, June 3, 2026. He is the brother of Betsy Lesko.

+**JOHN K. LUEDERS**, 72, of Trumbull Twp., fell asleep in the Lord on Wednesday, June 17, 2026. He is the brother of Catherine Sieracki.

## *Congratulations Subdeacon Randy*

Our St. Michael Church offers Congratulations to **SUBDEACON JOHN RANDALL TOMKO** who **TODAY, June 21, 2026** will be ordained by Archbishop Wiliam to the Minor Orders of Lectorate and Sub-diaconate at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, Munhall, PA. These are the first two orders one must receive before being ordained to major orders. Randy will be ordained with 4 of his classmates as well as 2 of our seminarians who are studying for the priesthood. May the Lord God grant to His servant, Subdeacon Randy, peace, health, and happiness for many years, na mnohaja i blahaja l'ita.



## *Heartfelt Thanks offered...*

"To my dear church family. I am overwhelmed and blessed by your thoughtfulness and kindness. Thank you for your prayers and all the support you've given me during this twist of life. I have been blessed throughout this process in this journey and my church family is one of my biggest blessings. **Thank you. --Bob Ward.**"

### ABC'S OF BEING A CHRISTIAN FATHER

- A - Always trust them to God's care
- B - Bring them to church
- C - Challenge them to high goals
- D - Delight in their achievements
- E - Exalt the Lord in their presence
- F - Frown on evil
- G - Give them love
- H - Hear their problems
- I - Ignore not their childish fears
- J - Joyfully accept their apologies
- K - Keep their confidence
- L - Live a good example before them
- M - Make them your respected friends
- N - Never ignore their endless questions
- O - Open your home to their visits
- P - Pray for them by name
- Q - Quicken your interest in their spirituality
- R - Remember their needs
- S - Show them the way of salvation
- T - Teach them to work
- U - Understand they are still young
- V - Verify your statements
- W - Wean them from bad company
- X - eXpect them to obey
- Y - Yearn for God's best for them
- Z - Zealously guide them in biblical truths

## **When did Father's Day start?**

The idea for creating a day for children to honor their fathers began in Spokane, Washington. A woman by the name of Sonora Smart Dodd thought of the idea for Father's Day while listening to a Mother's Day sermon in 1909. Having been raised by her father, after her mother died, Sonora wanted her father to know how special he was to her. It was her father that made all the parental sacrifices and was, in the eyes of his daughter, a courageous, selfless, and loving man. Her father was born in June, so she chose to hold the first Father's Day celebration in Spokane, Washington on the 19th of June, 1910. In 1924 President Calvin Coolidge proclaimed the third Sunday in June as Father's Day.

## **Harvest Moon Bingo Mania 🍷🍷🍷🍷🍷**

Mark Your Calendar! Saturday, September 26th! St. Michael's Center  
Doors open @ 5PM - Bingo @ 6PM **CASH ONLY EVENT**  
Admission \$30 (Age 18 & up) Includes 13 Bingo Game Packet + Dauber

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